(c) what would be the conditions of the Bank for its loan and repayment of the loan and who will be responsible for repayment of loan alongwith the extent thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) and (b) A loan agreement of US $ 250 million for the Rajasthan Urban Infrastructure Development Project was signed with Asian Development Bank on 1.12.99. The disbursal of the loan starts after the loan becomes effective. The project focus is on the cities of Ajmer, Bikaner, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Kota and Udaipur. The objective of the project is to optimise economic and socio-economic development in urban Rajasthan by facilitating policy reforms intended to strengthan urban management and supporting priority investment in urban infrastructure.

(c) The conditions of ADB for its loan are in accordance with the loan agreement between the Bank and Government of India. The conditions mainly relate to use of the proceeds of the loan, project implementation, condition for loan effectiveness, loan repayment, interest to be charged, procurement of goods and services, execution, operation of project facility and financial matters etc.

The repayment of the loan is in accordance with the loan agreement and the amortisation schedule (Schedule 2).

Government of India is responsible for the repayment of the loan. The loan is from ADB's ordinary capital resources for 25 years including a grace period of 5 years at the Bank's variable interest rate. The loan closing date for this project is 30.6.2005.

Setting Up of NIUD in Various Cities

1211. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up National Institute of Urban Development (NIUD) in various cities of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the present status thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) to (c) There is no proposal to set up National Institute of Urban Development in various cities of the country.

However, a proposal was submitted to the Planning Commission for providing a sum of Rs. 10 crores during Ninth Plan for setting up of a National Institute of Urban Development on the pattern of National Institute of Rural Development at Hyderabad for undertaking research programmes of national importance and training programmes for trainers in the areas of urban infrastructure, municipal administration, urban finance, urban environment etc., and also for acting as a storehouse of national data for urban development.

In response to the above proposal the view of the Planning Commission is that the problems that have affected the regional centres would apply with greater force to National Centres and it may be desirable instead to enrich and improve upon the existing institutes to undertake additional training programmes.

Handing Over the Possession of Land for CGHS Dispensary

1212. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministery had allocated a piece of land for CGHS dispensary at a plot near Aravali Apartments, New Delhi quite a decade back;

(b) whether it is a fact that DDA had taken an advance for that purpose from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare; and

(c) by when the vacant possession of earmarked piece of land would be made over to DGHS?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) The DDA has reported that a plot of land measuring 580 sq. mtrs. was allotted for the construction of CGHS dispensary building at Alaknanda Kalkaji-II vide demand-cum-allotment letter dated 14.8.91.

(b) In response to the allotment letter, the Directorte of Health Services had deposited the demanded cost of land on 6.1.95.